

REQUEST FORM FOR APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Continuation, application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior U.S. Patent Application No. 09/979,975 filed on November 29, 2001, entitled: **THERMAL MARKING TAPE TRACTION DEVICE**, by the following named inventor(s): Mirko PENZO.

1. ☒ I hereby state that the enclosed copy of this prior application is a true copy of the above-identified prior application.
2. Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
 - i. ☐ Deletion of inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
3. ☒ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 2b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 2b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
4. ☒ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449 Form are submitted herewith.
6. ☒ Cancel claims: 1-8.

7a. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 6 above:

	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	20	MINUS 20	0	x \$18 =	\$0
Independent Claims	3	MINUS 3	0	x \$84 =	\$0
Basic Application Fee					\$750.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00					n/a
Total Application Fee					\$750.00
Subtract 1/2 if small entity					n/a
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$750.00
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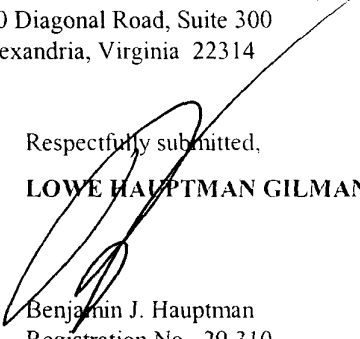
- 7b. ☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
8. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parent application No. 09/979,975 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1337.
9. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/979,975 filed November 29, 2001.--
10. ☒ Priority of *Spanish Application No. 200000819 filed on March 31, 2000* is claimed under 35 USC 119. The certified priority document was filed in PCT Application No. PCT/ES01/00120 filed on March 27, 2001 and has been acknowledged in the USPTO.
11. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to: -----.
12. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: **LOWE HAUPTMAN GILMAN & BERNER, LLP.**
13. ☐ Also enclosed:-----.
14. ☐ A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until: -----.

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